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## Document history

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# 1 Overview

The Toolbox 4.4 installation is a major update of Toolbox 4.3. It can be installed as a separate product alongside previous major releases of Toolbox (4.3, 4.2, 4.1, 4.0, 3.4, 3.3, etc.)

# 2 System Requirements

## Minimum system requirements

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OS: 64 bit, Windows 7 or newer

CPU: Core 2 duo at 2 GHz or equivalent AMD CPU

RAM: At least 4GB of RAM

HDD: 14 GB free hard drive space

File system: NTFS

Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5.1

## Recommended system requirements

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OS: 64 bit, Windows 7 or newer

CPU: I5 at 2.4GHz or faster processor or equivalent AMD CPU

RAM: 6 GB of RAM

HDD: 20 GB free hard drive space

File system: NTFS

Microsoft .NET Framework 4.5.1

## 3 Change log

### I. General

- New Simplified Toolbox interface
- Development of a Toolbox web repository where different modules which could be docked to Toolbox are stored
- Development of Toolbox repository client within the QSAR Toolbox which manages the docking of external modules via direct connection to web repository or uploading from the local computer
- Possibility to “unlock” the ECHA REACH database export in Toolbox which allows exporting of data after accepting the terms and condition for usage.
- One working mode – only 2.5D mode available

### II. Input

- Define target endpoint:
  - ECHA REACH endpoints could be defined
  - New options for easier definition of the target endpoint – “Define here”, Copy-Paste defined target endpoint.
- Loading of list with SMILES (or CAS) shows in a window all substances corresponding to the entered identifier

### III. Profiling

71 profilers (Predefined: 5; General Mechanistic: 29; Endpoint Specific: 25; Empiric: 9; Toxicological: 1; Custom: 2) and 16 metabolisms (5 observed and 11 simulated) are available.

- New “QSAR domain query” in the profiling editor.

#### A. *New profilers*

1. *Custom profile: Skin sensitization for DASS*

#### B. *Updated profilers*

1. *Acute Oral Toxicity*

2. *Biodeg Probability (Biowin 5)*
3. *Biodeg Probability (Biowin 6)*
4. *Carcinogenicity (genotox and nongenotox) alerts by ISS*
5. *DART scheme*
6. *DNA binding by OASIS*
7. *DNA alerts for AMES, CA and MNT by OASIS*
8. *Hydrolysis Half life (pH 6.5 - 7.0)*
9. *in vitro mutagenicity (Ames test) alerts by ISS*
10. *in vivo mutagenicity (Micronucleus) alerts by ISS*
11. *Organic Functional groups*
12. *Organic Functional groups (nested)*
13. *Organic functional groups (US EPA)*
14. *Protein binding alerts for Chromosomal aberration by OASIS*
15. *Protein binding alerts for skin sensitization by OASIS*
16. *Protein binding by OASIS*
17. *Protein binding potency by GHS*
18. *Substance type*

### **C. Updated simulators**

1. *Autoxidation simulator*
2. *Hydrolysis simulator (neutral)*
3. *in vivo Rat metabolism*
4. *Microbial metabolism simulator*
5. *Rat liver S9 metabolism simulator*
6. *Skin metabolism simulator*

## **IV. Data**

**57 databases with 92 134 substances and 2 634 458 data points are available**

- IUCLID – new options when import/export data

### **A. Updated databases**

1. *Aquatic Japan MoE*
  - Available: 664 substances and 4 577 data points
  - New: 5 substances and 14 data points.
2. *ECHA REACH (formerly ECHA CHEM)*

- Available: 13 305 substances and 802 230 data points
- New: 1 562 substances and 133 926 data points

### 3. *ECOTOX*

- Available: 11 822 substances and 969 352 data points
- New: 167 substances and 52 306 data points

### 4. *Genotoxicity OASIS*

- Available: 8 031 substances and 30 943 data points
- New: 46 substances and 496 data points

### 5. *pKa OASIS*

- Available: 2 898 substances and 3 492 data points
- New: 968 substances and 1 183 data points

### 6. *Repeated Dose Toxicity HESS*

- Available: 745 substances and 485 842 data points
- New: 45 substances and 45 446 data points

### 7. *Toxicity Japan MHLW*

- Available: 390 substances and 3 971 data points
- New: 138 substances and 1 057 data points

## **B. Updated inventories**

### 1. *NICNAS*

- Available: 40 180 substances
- New: 486 substances

## **V. Category definition**

- New clustering options
- Option to sort chemicals when defined a category based on their structural similarity to the target

## **VI. Data Gap Filling**

- New AW for Skin sensitization for Defined approaches purposes
- Implementation of the latest EPISUITE models versions

## **VII. Reporting/Exporting**

- New section with all options for export in the Report module
- New template of exporting profiling result when applying export of the data matrix
- New RAAF templates for environmental and ecotoxicity endpoints
- Addition of QSAR predictions in the Data matrix report.

## **VIII. IT improvements**

- Data matrix responsiveness improvement
- Database deployment consistency checking
- Reduced memory use on server
- Acceleration of:
  - Starting the program
  - Clustering
  - Automated workflows
  - Profiling

## **IX. Additional new features**

- Providing numbers of chemicals, available data and predictions for each list in the document tree
- Option for removing the chemicals without experimental data on the data matrix
- Option for searching information in the data matrix
- Freezing target chemical column
- Possibility to edit an entered substance with composition
- Highlights - the row of the document tree where a prediction is accepted; sections in the report containing RAAF assessment elements.
- Improved biological taxonomy
- Caching of generated metabolites in Toolbox database (new combination of metabolic simulators and databases are cached)
- Other small improvements

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